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Preliminary Amendment

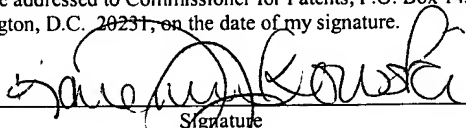


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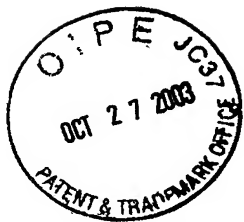
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows prior to examination of the application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant claims small entity status.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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	TOTAL CLAIMS	1	MINUS	20	0	X \$9	0.00
	INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	3	0	X \$43	0.00
				TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT ----□		0.00	

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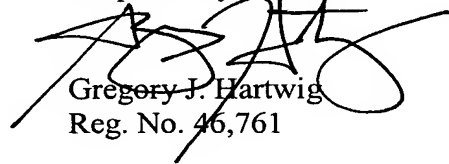
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